
Title: History of Britannia 2

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x. The Last Two Hundred Years

It has been two centuries since the Avatar last appeared in our good kingdom. Some have written that at last it is possible to interpret the tales of the Avatar as they should be, with the proper historical perspective. Some argue that as time moves on, the truth of what actually occurred will fade even further away and that we have a responsibility to preserve the legends as we now know them. However, most agree when it comes to a number of basic theories.

While there are those who maintain that the stories of the Avatar are only myths, practically all credible scholars say that at least some elements of the Avatar's tales are historical fact. In reality, one need look no further than the Isle of the Avatar to see very persuasive evidence that the Avatar did indeed exist - at least as a person if not as a spiritual being! It is most likely that there has been more than one

Avatar. All of the
writings insist that the
Avatar who
negotiated the peace
between Britannia and the
gargoyles is
the one and same person
who first appeared to
vanquish the
sorcerer Mondain those
many years ago.

While
saying it is
most unlikely, historians
do not firmly deny the
possibility of
there having been only one
Avatar. After all, our
good
sovereign monarch, wise
Lord British, has himself
displayed
an amazing longevity!
Whatever interpretation
of history proves to be
most
accurate, it seems
undeniable that the
Avatar will not return
to our fair kingdom. By
all indications the age of
magic is
coming to an end. With
the decline on reliability
of mages,
and with the kingdom
turning away from the
magical arts, it
is doubtful that extreme
danger - that which would
require an
Avatar's aid to defeat it
- will ever return to
Britannia. And
thankfully so.
Upon us is the age of
The Fellowship, in which
one
does not simply wait in
anticipation for a heroic
savior when
a crisis occurs. In this
less spectacular but more
practical day,
we are left to solve our
problems with our own
minds and our

own will.